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The object of the invention is achieved by ~~the characteristics in claim 1 a lamp, wherein~~  
at least the outer layer and/or at least one inner layer of the interference filter (3) comprises a  
protective layer (4) to reduce thermal and/or intrinsic stresses, and wherein the thickness of the  
protective layer (4) or protective layers (4) has a value below 40% of the value of all other layers  
with the lower refractive index.

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One ~~The preferred embodiment according to claim 3~~ requires that the layer of the  
interference filter with the lower refractive index preferably comprises  $\text{SiO}_2$  and that the second  
layer of the interference filter comprises a material which has a higher refractive index than  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  
preferably mainly zirconium oxide ( $\text{ZrO}_2$ ).

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~~The preferred~~ One ~~embodiment in claim 4~~ requires that the second layer comprises a  
material from the group of titanium oxide, tantalum oxide, niobium oxide, hafnium oxide, silicon  
nitride, particularly preferably zirconium oxide  $\text{ZrO}_2$ , or a mixture of these materials.  $\text{ZrO}_2$  is  
particularly preferred as it absorbs less and is more temperature-resistant than most other  
materials.

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The object of the present invention is also achieved by an illumination unit with at least one lamp according to any one of the claims ~~1 to 6~~.